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30 METER SLIM. Several report working a station signing **VU2TS** on **July 30th**. Raj, VU2ZAP, reports that he talked to Miku, VU2TS. He states that he was not active on 10 MHz.

3B6, AGALEGA. The following is an excerpt from a huge press release that was sent out this week by Carlos, CT1END: " The preparations for this DX-pedition will soon come to a close. Everything is running according to plan. On September 23rd, Karl, HB9JAI and Jack, F6HMD head for Agalega in order to make final preparations on the spot. The rest of the crew takes off October 1st, flight MK071 from Zurich, 2200 local time." The crew will be missing two Swiss members who cannot come to 3B6. HB9JAX, Adolf, had to cancel the trip for professional reasons; HB9FMU, Phil, because of severe health problems. However, the team has been completed by the following operators: 9A4DU/Tony, CT1AGF/Luis, G4EDG/Steve and DL6UAA/Mart. Activity will begin about October 8th ending October 25th. OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive the complete press release as an additional bulletin.

3D2, FIJI. Look for Dragan, Z32AU, to be active as **3D2AU** from **September 18-26th**. Activity on all bands CW/SSB are expected including 6 meters. QSL via Z32AU.

3W, VIETNAM. "The 59(9) DX Report" reports that Hans, WA1LWS, is planning to be active from here between **November 9-26th**. This will include the **CQ WW CW Contest**. He has applied for the uses of 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters, however, 80/40 meters may be doubtful. He operates exclusively on CW.

9K2, KUWAIT. Look for Bob, K4CY (ex-N6BFM), to return to Kuwait. He plans to reactivate his old callsign **9K2ZZ**. He is expected to be active this time on PSK31. QSL via W8CNL, direct only.

9X, RWANDA. Charlie, N4CT (ex-T5CT, SV0CT, G5BAU, GC5BAU, TJ1AW, K4PHY/YV5, DL5IX) will be in **Kigali** from **January 12th through March 12th** working at the U.S. Embassy. He is currently looking for some place to guest operate while there and would

appreciate any info on where he might be able to. His E-mail address is: n4ct@onebox.com

A5, BHUTAN. A52FH is now history. All operations were stopped on September 14th, at 0125z on 20 meters CW. The team managed to make 14,015 QSOs, but this is not the final result. According to Mark, F6JSZ, the team thanks everyone for contacting them and especially Rafik, F5CQ, and Laurent, F8BBL, the two pilot stations. They say it was a fabulous experience to operate from Bhutan. Last week before leaving, F5LMJ and F2VX installed a 40/80m dipole and a Cushcraft R8 vertical, with a FT-900, TS-440 and FL-2100Z at the radio club of Thimphu. On September 12th, at 1500z, the first QSO was made by Thinley Dorji, General Director of Telecommunications in Bhutan, with the new **A51AA** callsign. Later in the week, Peter, ON6TT, was operating from A51AA. He was last heard on September 16th.

AX9, NORFOLK ISLAND. "The Daily DX" reports that a multi-national team of YL operators from seven countries will be active as **AX9YL** from **October 5-12th**. The team will be active on CW and SSB. The special callsign was obtained by the WIA Victoria for this trip, so QSL will be via the VK3 bureau or direct to VK3DYL, Gwen Tilson, 3 Gould Court, Mt Waverley, Victoria 3149, Australia, with return postage and a SAE.

CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND. Yuij, JA3IG, was very active this past weekend on 15 meters CW/SSB. Length of stay is unknown. QSL via JA3IG.

FG, GUADELOUPE. Four members of the Florida DXPedition Group (FDXPG), Bob/KR4DA, William/N2WB, Bill/W4WX and Clarence/W9AAZ, will be here from **October 24-31st**. They will be a Multi-Single entry in the **CQWW Contest** as **FG5BG**. Look for them before and after the contest signing **FG/homecall** on CW, RTTY and SSB. QSL FG5BG to KR4DA, FG/N2WB to N2OO and others to home callsign. For more info, visit the following two Web pages: <http://www.geocities.com/n2wb23/> and <http://members.xoom.com/FDXPG/>

HO, PANAMA (Update). Wil/DJ7AA, Manfred/DK1BT, and Tina/DL6MYL are now active as **HO1A** from **Contadora Island (NA-072)** until **October 1st**. Their activity will include the **CQWW RTTY Contest**. Outside of the contest, they will be mainly active on CW, the WARC bands and lowbands. They mentioned on the air this past weekend NO RTTY until the contest. QSL via the bureau to DL6MYL or direct to her CBA. Check out their very interesting Web page for more details at: <http://www.qsl.net/ho1a/>

HQ, HONDURAS (Update from OPDX.472/473). By the time you read this, **HQ0R** will be on air from "**Valle de Los Angeles**", 20 miles from Tegucigalpa, Honduras. There will be 3 stations active, 24 hours a day, operating on SSB, CW and RTTY on all bands. Operation is organized by "Radio Club Tegucigalpa" and URE, "Union de Radioaficionados Espanoles" and its RADIOSOLIDARIDAD special team. QSLs go via EA4URE, P.O. Box 220, Madrid 28080, Spain. For more and up-to-date information, check the WEB page at: <http://www.ure.es/honduras/honduras.html>

IOTA NEWS.....

- **EU-004.** Laci, HA6NL, will be on **Mallorca Island** with his family for a holiday between **September 28th and October 5th**, and be active as **EA6/HA6NL/p**. He plans to be on all HF bands, mainly CW, but expect some SSB operation, too. Suggested frequencies are: 1831, 3511, 7011, 10104, 14031, 18081, 21031, 24901 and 28011 kHz.

QSL via CBA.

- **EU-067.** Look for Eric, KU6J, to be active from **September 21-28th**, and operating from **Thira Island** (aka **Santorini**) in the Cyclades group, Greek Islands (SV8). His callsign will be **SV8/KU6J/P**. His equipment includes an IC-706MKIIG (100W), dipoles and random wire with antenna tuner. He will be focusing on CW, primarily on the WARC bands. QSL via KU6J either direct or via bureau. Eric also mentions that he will be logging manually, so there will not be an online log available. He also added that his YL reluctantly allowed him to bring the radio suitcase, so this won't be a full-time operation!
- **EU-183.** Pit, **YO3JW**, is planning activity from **Sacalinu Mare Island** between **September 29th and October 1st**. This will be a 72 hour operation (longer or shorter depending on local conditions). He will try to work on all bands, CW, SSB, may be RTTY and PSK31. He will also take a beam and a 100 watt radio. QSL via YO3JW.
- **OC-067.** Francisco, CT1EAT, will sign **FO0FRA**, from **October 24th through November 2nd**, from **Mai Mona Motu**. He will also operate during the **CQWW DX SSB Contest**. He is not sure yet if he will use a his callsign or a special one. He will let us know ASAP. QSL via bureau to CT1EAT, or direct to: Francisco Costa, P.O.Box 172, 7801-902 Beja, Portugal.
- **OC-212.** A team of VK operators will be using the callsign **VI2BI** to activate **Broughton Island** from **October 6-15th**. This follows the successful operation of last year when, in 3 days, the team made over 2000 QSOs. Activity will be on most bands for the duration of the operation and will involve SSB, CW 10 meters FM and hopefully PSK. The team will arrive on the island at approx. 0200z, October 6th and expect to be on air around 0500z.
- **OC-234.** Browse Island Saga Update. Alan, VK4AAR, informs OPDX of the following: "I apologise that I didn't follow up with the drama on Browse Island in the first few days of this month. Things were happening and I was spending a great deal of time on the phone to authorities and the wives of the team (scattered all over Northern territory and Western Australia). The outcome was that the operators were picked up by an Australian naval vessel and eventually delivered safely to Darwin. The skipper stayed with his catamaran (which was his home also) as he believed it could be refloated even doing so alone. He has radio and is being monitored. Browse Island produced only 2,500 (approx) QSOs as the crew spent most of their time digging sand away from the vessel which was above the high water line. The expedition was more costly than expected due to this occurrence so, if you are able, please feel free to donate a little something with the QSL card. It will be greatly appreciated."
- **SA-058.** Ray, **DL2GG/YV5**, and others will give it another try to activate the rock **Farallon Centinela**. If all works as planned, they will be active as **YW5FC** next weekend (**September 22-24th**). Last year they could not get their generator up to the rock due to extreme tides (see their failed trip to Farallon Centinela at: <http://www.kilohertz.de> <http://www.qsl.net/dl2gg/> Now they are supposed to get some help by a helicopter. QSL via W4SO.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Yama/JA1SGU and Kazu/JJ1KZI will be active as **KH0T** and **KH0V** from **Saipan Island, October 5-8th**. They will operate on 80-10 meters (WARC bands included) mainly on CW. QSL via home callsigns direct.

KH5, PALMYRA. Mike, KH6ND, continues to be active as **KH6ND/KH5**. He was heard over the last several days mostly on 160/80/40 meters CW between 1030 and 1200z.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- **9M0F** is now QRT as of September 16th at 2220z. QSL via JA1HGY: Nao Mashita, 8-2-4 Akasaka, Minato, Tokyo 107-0052, JAPAN
- Jose, CT1EEB, reports that all **4W6EB**, **CU3/CT1EEB**, **CU5/CT1EEB**, **CU7/CT1EEB** QSL cards received up to September 8th are in the mail. As of to date, the backlog of QSLs to answer is ZERO. Lina, CT1YRV, will try to answer on a daily bases from now on. (You have to thank her not Jose for the QSLing).
- NOT THE QSL MANAGER. Denny, GW3CDP, informs OPDX that he has been receiving QSL cards (mainly stateside) for **EK4JJ** and **EK4GK**, and states he "is NOT and/or will NOT be QSL Manager for EK4JJ and EK4GK...again or in the future..." Denny is however, QSL Manager, for EY8XX (via E-mail) and EW6WR direct.
- Tex, **9M2TO**, reports that all QSLs sent to JA0DMV (received before August 22, 2000) and to 9M2TO (received before August 31, 2000) have now been replied too.
- Antonello, IK2DUW, informs OPDX that QSL cards for **R0L** operation to Putyatin Island (AS-066) will be ready by the end of September. Logs are available on the Web page: <http://www.qsl.net/r0l/> QSL via IK2DUW: Antonello Passarella, P.O.Box 22, 20051 Limbiate, Milano, Italy.
- Eugene, W2FXA, informs OPDX that he is now the QSL Manager for Rep, **YB0RP**, and has the logs in hand up to September 2, 2000. Send a SASE or IRC or Green Stamp for immediate reply to: Eugene Nadolny, 21 Hidden Valley Dr., Elma, NY 14059.

R8, RUSSIA. According to "The 59(9) DX Report", Serge, RA0JJ, will be signing **R8V/RA0JJ** from **September 18-22nd**, from **Agino-Buryatskiy Nationalny Autonomny Okrug**, on CW and SSB. QSL to P.O. Box 1, Blagoveschensk 675000, RUSSIA.

SAD NOTE (More). It has now been reported that there were actually two amateur radio operators killed in West Timor, Indonesia. We reported last week that Pero Simundza, **9A4SP**, was one of the three killed and now we are sad to report that Carlos Luis Caceres, **KD4SYB**, (age 33) was the second person killed. OPDX would like to send out our condolences to his family and friends. OPDX InterNet Subscribes will receive an additional bulletin which contains a message from Carlos's father about his son. Meanwhile, please visit and sign the Memorial Guestbooks for both families at: <http://www.qsl.net/kd4syb/> and <http://www.qsl.net/9a4sp/>

SPECIAL EVENT. Look for special event station, **K3G**, to be active from the **U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Station** in **Philadelphia, Pa.**, from 1400z to 0000z **October 21, 2000**. The station is commemorating the **Sixty First Anniversary of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary**. Suggested frequencies are: 7232, 14332, 21332, and 28332 kHz. A "Special Commemorative QSL" will be available via NM3S at: Dan Amoroso, 196 Dam View Drive, Media, Pa. 19063. For more Information, contact Dan at: NM3S@prodigy.net

SPECIAL EVENT. The Greater Norwalk Amateur Radio Club (GNARC) will be operating a special event station to commemorate the visit of the traveling **Viet Nam Wall Memorial** to Norwalk, Connecticut. The Club will be using the special event call **K1V** beginning **October 12th**, 1600z until **October 16th** at 0400z. Operation will be in the lower 25 kHz of the General phone portions of 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters. For specific frequencies, check for posts to DX clusters and at their Web page (<http://www.gnarc.org>) during the dates of the event. QSL to: K1V c/o GNARC, 324 Main Ave Box 115, Norwalk, CT 06851, USA. A 8.5x11 color

certificate as well as a QSL card will be available. For the certificate, please include a 9x12 SASE with sufficient postage. For the QSL card ONLY, a business sized SASE. A donation of 1 USD to defray printing would be appreciated.

T8, PALAU. Shun, JH7IMX, will be active as **T88SW** between **September 21-24th**. He will participate in the **CQ WW RTTY Contest**. His activity before the contest will be CW, SSB and perhaps also PSK31 on 80-10 meters including the WARC bands. QSL via JH7IMX.

T8, PALAU. Look for Kazuo/JA3ART and Katsuji/JR3KFX to be on a DX-vacation from **October 6-9th**, signing as **T88JJ** and **T88FX**, respectively. Activity will be on 80-10 meters and also 6 meters. Operations will be on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. They will concentrate on WARC bands and RTTY. QSL via the JARL Bureau or direct to their homecall below: Kazuo Ebihara, JA3ART, P.O.Box 62, Sakyo, Kyoto, 606-8691 JAPAN Katsuji Takagi, JR3KFX, 653-16 Yodo-Namazuchō, Kyoto, 613-0914 JAPAN

V2, ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA. Team Antigua will once again activate **V26B** in this year's **CQWW SSB Contest** on **October 28-29th**. They plan to enter the contest as a Multioperator/Multi-transmitter category. Team members will make special attempts to be active on RTTY, PSK31, 160 meters and the WARC Bands a few days before and after the contest. There is also a possibility of some 6 meter and Satellite operations with conditions permitting. Operators will make their presence felt on all bands starting on or about October 25th until about November 1st. The Members of Team Antigua and their callsigns are:

V26A	Dale, N3BNA	QSL via	WB3DNA	V26O	Bob, N5NJ	QSL via	N5NJ
V26AK	Tony, N2TK	QSL via	N2TK	V26OC	Brian, N3OC	QSL via	N3OC
V26AU	Carsten, DL6LAU	QSL via	DL6LAU	V26SZ	Sharon, N5CK	QSL via	N5CK
V26B	Sam, WT3Q	QSL via	WT3Q	V26TZ	Tom, ZP5AZL	QSL via	W3HNK
V26EW	Ed, N2ED	QSL via	N2ED	V26U	Bill, W2UDT	QSL via	W2UDT
V26J	Jay, WX0B	QSL via	W3LT	V26YR	John, W2YR	QSL via	W2YR

For a complete station descriptions, complete with photographs and rate charts of "The Team Antigua, V26B, Superstation", please visit their Web page at: <http://www.frc-contest.org> OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive the complete press release as an additional bulletin.

XU, CAMBODIA (Update/Change from OPDX.474). Toni, EA5RM, informs OPDX that the dates for the **XU7ABD** operation by him and Pedro, EA7DBO, have been changed. Due to flights connection problems, the dates for this DXpedition have delayed the team's arrival in Phnom Pehn until the morning of **October 5th**. The operation will finish on the morning of **October 13th**.

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<http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/opdx.html>

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